GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:339
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Financial Assistance to Regional Cancer Centre
Tharoor Dr. Shashi

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government of Kerala has submitted a proposal for grant of financial assistance to the Regional Cancer Centre in Thiruvananthapuram under the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to consider the said institute as a National Cancer Institute under the NPCDCS;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) to (e) :A statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
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(a) and (b): A proposal was received from Government of Kerala for financial assistance to the Regional Cancer Centre in Thiruvananthapuram as a State Cancer Institute (SCI) under National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS). The proposal was recommended by the Standing Committee and an amount of Rs. 46.957 crore, as 1st instalment of Government of India share, has been released to the State Government during the financial year 2016-17.
(c) to (e): There is no proposal, presently, to consider Regional Cancer Centre (RCC), Thiruvananthapuram, as a National Cancer Institute, since during the 12th Five Year Plan, only one National Cancer Institute (NCI) has been approved, which is being set up at Jhajjar, Haryana. RCC, Thiruvananthapuram, is being assisted as SCI. SCI is mandated to monitor all Cancer related activities in its area while NCI will be apex institution for such activities including research.